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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a Reply under 37 C.F.R. §1.111 to the Office Action of July 8, 2005 in the abovecaptioned application.

- Small Entity Status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a previously filed statement.
- A Request for Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a).
- Six replacement drawing sheets and four sheets of annotated drawings.
- No additional fee is required.

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